PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 04623.0009-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| Bernd KRAUSE et al. |) Group Art Unit: 1797 |
| Application No.: 10/532,131 |) Examiner: Krishnan S. MENON |
| Filed: December 22, 2005 |) Confirmation No.: 5917 |
| For: MEMBRANE AND USE THEREOF |) |

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RCE AMENDMENT

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), and fulfills the requirements for a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, and is in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 25, 2008, the period for response having been extended through December 29, 2008 (December 25, 2008 and December 26, 2008 being Federal Holidays), by a request for a two (2) month extension of time and payment of the government fees associated therewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Amendment.